

House Bill 55

By: Representatives Lunsford of the 110th, Willard of the 49th, Stephens of the 164th, Levitas of the 82nd, and Parrish of the 156th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 15-6-61 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 use of computerized record-keeping systems by clerks of superior courts, so as to provide for
3 redacting social security numbers under certain circumstances; to provide for an effective
4 date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 15-6-61 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the use of
8 computerized record-keeping systems by clerks of superior courts, is amended by revising
9 paragraph (15) of subsection (a) to read as follows:

10 (15) To participate in the state-wide uniform automated information system for real and
11 personal property records, as provided for by Code Sections 15-6-97 and 15-6-98, and
12 any network established by the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority
13 relating to the transmission and retrieval of electronic information concerning real estate
14 and personal property data for any such information systems established by such
15 authority so as to provide for public access to real estate and personal property
16 information, including liens filed pursuant to Code Section 44-2-2 and maps and plats.
17 Each clerk of the superior court shall provide to the authority or its designated agent in
18 accordance with the rules and regulations of the authority such real estate information
19 concerning or evidencing title to real property and such personal property information or
20 access to such information which is of record in the office of clerk of the superior court
21 and which is necessary to establish and maintain the information system, including
22 information filed pursuant to Code Section 44-2-2 and maps and plats. Each clerk of the
23 superior court shall provide and transmit real estate and personal property information
24 filed in the office of the clerk of superior court, including information required by Code
25 Section 44-2-2 and maps and plats, to the authority for testing and operation of the
26 information system at such times and in such form as prescribed by the authority. Each

27 clerk of the superior court shall redact any social security number appearing on any
28 document prior to its entry into such state-wide uniform automated information system
29 under this paragraph and shall redact any social security number appearing on any
30 document which has previously been entered into such information system under this
31 paragraph;

32 **SECTION 2.**

33 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
34 without such approval.

35 **SECTION 3.**

36 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.